

TRI-CITY LHRC

Agenda

May 18, 2023

6:00 PM

In-Person Meeting

<https://dbhds-virginia-gov.zoomgov.com/j/1611940096?pwd=Mnp2K0JaanZVUlnxTWpsUmhSTk1OQT09>

Passcode: LHRCmeet1!

Join by phone: (646) 828-7666 Meeting ID: 161 194 0096 Passcode: 4941301617

Contact Tony Davis, Human Rights Advocate, for Questions/Issues at:
804.920.4320

1. Call to Order
 2. Roll call/Attendance
 3. Approval of Agenda
 4. Review and Approval of Minutes – Minutes from May, August, and November 2022 and March 2023
 5. Public Comments
 6. Advocate Report – Tony Davis
-Facility Data-6:15 PM
 - Quarterly ANE and complaint statistics
 - Summary of current Variances
 - Updates
 - Upcoming Events
 7. New Business (Closed Session)
 - Phone Restriction (3) - PGH-6:20 PM
 - Jumpsuit Restriction - PGH-6:35 PM
 - Next Friend Request - PGH-6:40
 - Phone Restriction - NVMHI-6:45 PM
 8. Old Business (Open Session)
-Review of Previous Sub-Committee Decisions-6:50 PM
 9. New Business (Open Session)
-Hearing Request for QW vs. Hiram W. Davis Medical Center-7:00 PM
 10. Adjournment
- Next Meeting Date – 8/17/2023 at 6:00 PM, Central State Hospital in Advocate's Office**

Advocate Report, State Facilities

Quarterly ANE and complaint statistics

For the quarter ending 3/31/2022:

| Facility | Abuse Cases* | Complaint Cases* |
|----------|--------------|------------------|
| WSH | 17 (3) | 25 (4) |
| CCCA | 16 (3) | 1 |
| NVMHI | 22 (1) | 17 |
| SWVMHI | 8 | 27 (5) |
| Catawba | 13 (2) | 0 |
| SVMHI | 10 | 3 |
| CSH | 36 (4) | 27 |
| HDMC | 4 (1) | 0 |
| PGH | 7 | 3 (1) |
| VCBR | 10 (2) | 27 (11) |
| ESH | 19 (8) | 38 |
| SEVTC | 1 (1) | 0 |

*Cases in parentheses are substantiated.

Similar community information may be located by reviewing minutes from Local Human Rights Committees in your area via the Commonwealth Calendar: <https://commonwealthcalendar.virginia.gov/>

Summary of current Variances for Facilities

- Central State Hospital has 4 variances all of which were approved by the SHRC on 11/3/2022 to continue for another 3 years. There are no new variances pending.
- Western State Hospital has 3 variances which expire in 2024, including one that was approved by the SHRC last one.
- Virginia Center for Behavioral Rehabilitation has 2 variances which will expire in 2024. There are no variances currently pending.

DBHDS Updates

Youth Crisis Receiving Center (CRC) Groundbreaking – On April 27, 2023, St. Joseph's Villa, in partnership with Henrico Area Mental Health & Developmental Services, broke ground on Central Virginia's first emergency department alternative for youth experiencing mental health crises. Secretary of Health and Human Resources John Littel and Commissioner Smith both spoke at the event in support of the CRC, which will provide immediate stabilization services and link youth to the next appropriate level of care. This is a much-needed resource for youth and families in the region, and we are excited for work to begin.

Community Visits with the First Lady – Commissioner Smith recently joined First Lady Suzanne Youngkin for a tour of Sandstone Detox Center in Chantilly and SafeSpot Children's Advocacy Center in Fairfax.

Sandstone provides a safe, supportive environment to help people struggling with addiction on their journey to recovery. Safespot provides essential services to child victims of sexual abuse so they can move toward healing and stability with resilience.

Mental Health Awareness Month – May is #MentalHealthMonth. While 1 in 5 people will experience a mental illness during their lifetime, we all face challenges in life that can impact our mental health.

Fentanyl Awareness Day – May 9 is Fentanyl Awareness Day. We are all painfully aware of the opioid epidemic that is ravaging communities across Virginia and the nation. Fentanyl caused or contributed to death in 76% of fatal overdoses in 2021. Fighting this crisis is a key focus of the Governor’s Right Help, Right Now plan and DBHDS’ strategic plan. We are encouraged community providers to hold Rapid REVIVE! Training, distribute naloxone, and promote awareness about the dangers of fentanyl on May 9! You can find REVIVE! trainings, including rapid training, on our website and access to no-cost naloxone on the VDH website.

Trainings for Providers & Facilities

<https://dbhds.virginia.gov/quality-management/human-rights/training-resources-for-providers/>

Please view this link to locate trainings for providers and state operated facilities.

SHRC Meetings

<https://dbhds.virginia.gov/wp-content/uploads/2023/01/2023-SHRC-Meeting-Schedule.pdf>

May 18, 2023 – Western Tidewater CSB

June 22, 2023 – CRI – Northern Virginia Location

August 17, 2023 – Virginia Beach CSB

September 28, 2023 – NVMHI

November 2, 2023 – Blue Ridge Community Services Board

December 14, 2023 – DBHDS Central Office, Richmond, VA

The SHRC is required to meet at least 8 times a year. Unless special circumstances apply, administrative sessions normally convene at 8:30AM. Regular sessions normally convene at 9:00AM and run until all agenda items are addressed. Portions of meetings are held in closed session. Appeals are normally scheduled for late morning.

LHRC Trainings

The most recent new member LHRC Orientation training was conducted on April 27, 2023. All new LHRC members (as of October, 2022) are expected to attend LHRC Orientation.

New LHRC members will receive notice in their appointment letters regarding attending Orientation and viewing the other training materials (Overview HRR, LHRC Forms, Fact Finding Hearings, FOIA). Dr. Carlton Henderson, Training and Development Coordinator for the OHR, will conduct these orientation sessions.

If you are a new member, as of October, 2022, and have not received Orientation, please notify the advocate who provides technical assistance to your committee for assistance.

dLCV Survey

disAbility Law Center of Virginia (dLCV) has initiated a survey to learn more about the experiences, knowledge, and comfort with the Human Rights Complaint Process from individuals who have received services from DBHDS. If you are interested in taking part in the survey, you can access it here:

<https://www.dlcv.org/hr-survey>.

LHRC Recruitment

We are currently recruiting for Local Human Rights Committees assigned to the Facility Operations Team:

Staunton Area LHRC – Meets quarterly in Staunton at Western State Hospital.

Tri-City LHRC – Meets quarterly in Petersburg at Central State Hospital.

Williamsburg Regional LHRC – Meets quarterly in Williamsburg at Eastern State Hospital.

Please contact Brandon Charles, MSW, Facility Operations Manager at brandon.charles@dbhds.virginia.gov for more information or an application.